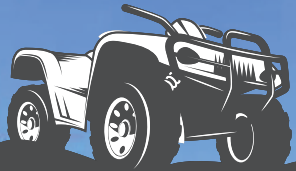
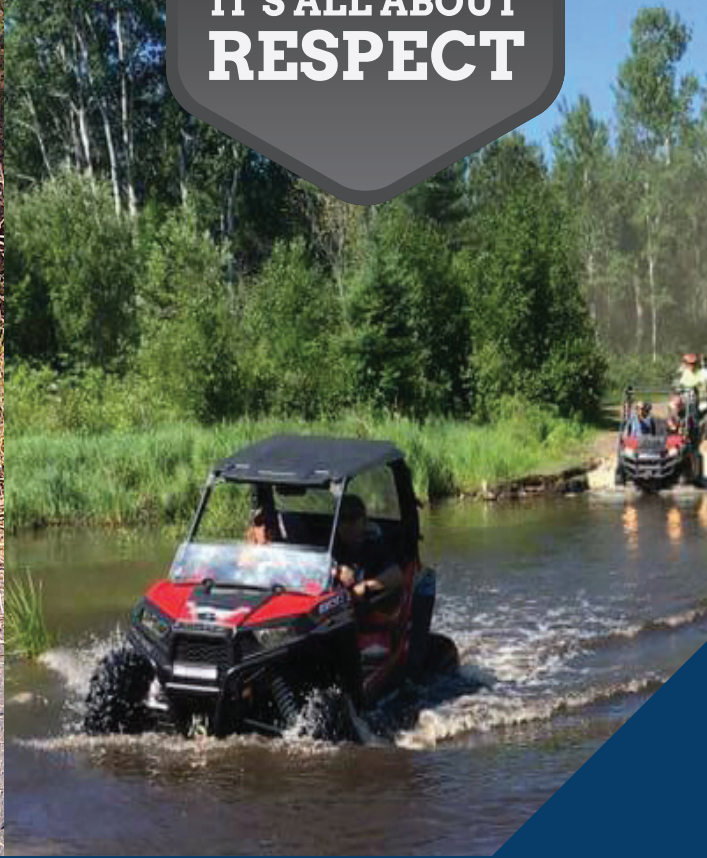


TRAIL ETIQUETTE



IT'S ALL ABOUT
RESPECT



**Let us work
with you.**

**IT IS NOT JUST
ABOUT OUR SPORT,
IT IS ABOUT THE
TRAIL AND THOSE
WHO USE IT.**

Be part of a respectful trail community and enjoy the trail using your method of choice.



A first rate trail system is created by, and for people who care and have respect for one another.

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RESPECT THE COMMUNITY

- Know with certainty that you have permission to enter and use the trails within the riding area you choose to access, observing all laws, obligations and expectations associated with the area.
- Be a role model - have respect, ride quietly around houses, campgrounds and non-riders that you encounter on the trail. Keep the RPMs and speed low and steady.
- Keep speed below 20 K.P.H. when traveling within 30 m (100') of a non-motorized user or a residence. In particular, watch for kids, pets and other animals.
- Avoid creating excessive dust and noise when riding in a community or camping area.
- Do not operate your vehicle in a careless way that may endanger people or property.
- Always be courteous to others.
- Stay on the trail, respecting private property and if riding on private property always ask for permission from landowner.
- Be a "steward" of our sport. The way you portray yourself is the way you portray our sport.

RESPECT THE TRAIL

- Be part of the Trails Community; respect the experience of other users if you want them to respect yours.
- Yield the right of way to hikers, bikers and horses. When passing horses stop your vehicle. Take off your helmet and calmly say hello. Avoid any sudden movements. Let the horse pass. When passing a horseback rider, alert the rider to your presence by calmly calling out that you wish to pass.
- When passing other trail users keep your speed low to avoid creating dust.
- When riding in a group, make sure you are not blocking the trail for other users.
- When traveling downhill, yield to those traveling uphill.
- Always let others know you are approaching, especially if from behind.
- If people announce themselves from behind you, move to the right to make sure they have room to pass.
- When possible, always keep to the right side of the trail.
- If your pet rides with you, make sure they are under control at all times.
- Keep to marked trails/tracks and resist the urge to establish new ones without proper planning and permission.
- When encountering sensitive, historic, scenic or cultural areas, park your ATV and approach on foot.
- Participate in trail maintenance. Give back to your trails!

RESPECT THE ENVIRONMENT

- Be aware of the wildfire danger levels and respect all restrictions that may be in place.
- Respect all wildlife and livestock.
- Always follow rules of environmental etiquette to ensure trails remain viable for use by future generations.
- Don't Litter! Clean up after yourself - Take out what you take in.
- Clean up the mess left by others who have no respect for the environment.
- If you smoke, completely extinguish all cigarette butts. A smoldering cigarette has the potential to start a forest fire.
- When "nature calls", get out of sight of the trail and use proper sanitary procedures.
- Avoid damage to the environment, protecting both land and water.
- Stay on the established trail, no shortcuts and avoid trail braiding and widening.
- Be aware – our wetlands are important and sensitive areas benefit both wildlife and people.
- When crossing waterways, use existing bridges/structures.
- Do not spin your tires as it dislocates the soil and can cause drainage issues.
- Ensure your spark arrestors are in good working order and your exhaust system is free of debris.

IT'S ALL ABOUT RESPECT RESPECT OUR SPORT

Promote our sport. Take time to talk to the people you meet about your outdoor experiences. Know your limits. Ride within your abilities, in a controlled manner using common sense. Treat others the way you would like to be treated if the situation were reversed. But most of all, have fun!